PUBLIC CHAPTER NO. 126

SENATE BILL NO. 1056

By Johnson, Marrero, Beavers, Raymond Finney, Lowe Finney

Substituted for: House Bill No. 956

By Maggart, DuBois, Floyd, Watson, Gresham, Curtis Johnson, Ford, Dean, Lollar, McManus, Jim Cobb, Williams, John Deberry, Eldridge, Swafford, Kevin Brooks, Lundberg, Coley, Hardaway, Fincher, Campfield, Phillip Johnson, Hensley, Hawk, Hood, Bass, Odom, Ferguson, Rinks, Hackworth, Fraley, Sontany, Windle, Maddox, Fitzhugh, McDonald, Coleman, Pitts, Shaw, Bone, Todd, Harry Brooks, Hill

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 40, Chapter 39, Part 2, relative to reporting requirements of sexual offenders and violent sexual offenders.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

- SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-39-203, is amended by adding the following new subsection (a)(3):
 - (3) Within forty-eight (48) hours of a material change in employment or vocational status, the offender shall report the change to the person's registering agency. For purposes of this subdivision (a)(3) "a material change in employment or vocational status" includes being terminated involuntarily from the offender's employment or vocation, voluntarily terminating the employment or vocation, taking different employment or the same employment at a different location, changing shifts or substantially changing the offender's hours of work at the same employment or vocation, taking additional employment, reducing the offender's employment, or any other change in the offender's employment or vocation that differs from that which the offender originally registered. For a change in employment or vocational status to be considered a material one, it must remain in effect for seven (7) consecutive days or more.

Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-39-203, is amended by deleting subsection (d) and substituting instead the following:

(d) (1) An offender from another state, jurisdiction, or country, who is not a resident of this state, shall, within forty-eight (48) hours of employment, commencing practice of a vocation or becoming a student in this state, register in person, completing and signing a TBI registration form, under the penalty of perjury, pursuant to § 39-16-702(b)(3), with:

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- (A) The sheriff in the county or the chief of police in the municipality within this state where the offender is employed or practices a vocation; or
- (B) The law enforcement agency of any institution of higher education, or if not applicable, the designated law enforcement agency with jurisdiction over the campus, if the offender is employed or practices a vocation or is a student.
- (2) Within forty-eight (48) hours of an offender from another state, jurisdiction, or country, who is not a resident of this state, making a material change in the offender's vocational or employment or vocational status within this state, the offender shall report such change to the person's registering agency. For purposes of this subdivision (d)(2) "a material change in employment or vocational status" includes being terminated involuntarily from the offender's employment or vocation, voluntarily terminating the employment or vocation, taking different employment or the same employment at a different location, changing shifts or substantially changing the offender's hours of work at the same employment or vocation, taking additional employment, reducing the offender's employment, or any other change in the offender's employment or vocation that differs from that which the offender originally registered. For a change in employment or vocational status to be considered a material one, it must remain in effect for seven (7) consecutive days or more.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2007, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: April 30, 20007

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

